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### FANCIES IN FEATHERS.

How to Make Use of the Plumage of Domestic Fowls.

Pretty Results May Be Obtained by the Use of a Little Ingenuity, Taste and Patience-A Pinin and Ornapasstal Fan.

Very dainty uses may be made of the feathers from domestic fowls, and two of them are suggested here. In the little fan shown in Fig. 1, pure white tail or wing feathers are employed, and in the one represented in Fig. 2, the pretty, brown-specked feathers from the tail of some departed Brown Leghorn "biddy" are used, though the beautiful feathers of the grouse and partridge are to be preferred if they can be found. The manufacture of the first fan is quite simple. Some sixteen or eighteen perfect feathers are produced and rounded at the tip and trimmed about a little. The quille are cut off up to the web of the feather, and then the base of the quill still remaining is pared off flat with a jackknife to allow proper surface room to which the slender sticks

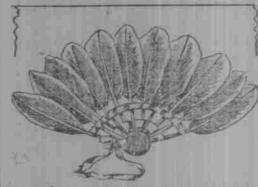
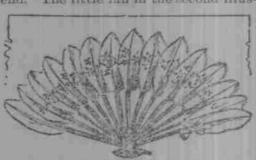


FIG. 1 .- PLAIN WHITE FRATEER PAN. are to be glued. The feathers are dyed a faint rose color or any delicate tint one chooses. The tiny fan sticks must be very thin and smooth and not more than three-sixteenths of an inch wide. They are gilded and glued neatly to the rosy feathers, running up a little on the wrong side and having rounded or pointed ends. Really the fan has no right or wrong side in this way. A little pink bow of rib-bon is tied to one of the outer sticks. A spray of flowers runs across the feathers, painted in oil colors in white and pink with a touch of green. The feathers are joined by a silken thread running through the quills near the base and hidden by the overlapping webs. A very dainty child's fun has feathers of graduated length, from six inches in the middle to three at either end. The little fan in the second illus-



tration is more ornamental than uses ful, being designed to hang up most of its time, and being provided with a ribbon loop for that purpose. The feathers are unornamented and uncut in any way. Nature provides the colors and everything but the riobons. There are no sticks. The ends of the quills are inclosed in a bit of a round nin-ball-or it looks like a pin-ball. It is very stiff and covered with yellow plush, and the quills are glued into it fast and strong. A marrow yellow rib-bon is woven through the quills next to the feathers, and below it a broader ribbon of the same shade. This latter loop of ribbon.-American Agricul-

### HOUSEHOLD HELPS.

COURT PLASTER should never be applied to a bruised wound.

A very fine steel pen is best for marking with indelible ink. Sweet oil will renew patent leather tips. Eub over surface with bit of cot-

ton batting dipped in the oil. Corrs may be made air and watertight by keeping them for five minutes entirely immersed in melted parafilme. Some cooks add to the water in which rice is to be boiled the juice of a lemon.

It is said to whiten, lighten and separate the grains. NEVER put stovepipes away without rubbing them thoroughly with linseed oil or something similar. This will

prevent an accumulation of rust. CROCOLATE lemonade is a new drink that has found much favor. It is simply plain lemonade with chocolate added in the proportion of a heaping

teaspoonful to a tumbler of the drink.

To Revive from Fainting. Fainting proceeds from different causes, the most common being a dis- of demoniac assistance. By far a more turbance of the circulation of the blood | intelligent element of the population | time quite the hero of the hour, being in the brain. For an ordinary fainting feared that, as it was a French invenfit lay the patient flat. Great harm | tion, its first use would be for military | much of. has often resulted from the treatment | purposes, and to recall this fact brings by ignorant people in trying to make strangely to mind the predictions of the patient sit up, or propping up the head on pillows. To send the blood today, who are yet struggling with the ROCK ISLAND ROUTE. flat posture is absolutely necessary. self into a bird, with the idea of using Let the patient lie so that the feet are the invention, once it shall be perfecthigher than the head, throw the clothes about the chest and throat open, sponge the face with cold water and give some cold water to drink.

Table Manuers in Persia. The Persian lady knows not the use Lunardi, an attache of the Italian emof the knife and fork, or, if she does, bassy, who made it. He had received scorns to make use of them. All her food is spread upon the floor and enten the Chelsea hospital, but a Frenchman with the fingers, a practice which, in named De Moret, who had a balloon spite of numerous ablations, still leaves the hands of the fair one a trifle greasy. She eats frequently, more for fire, to the great disgust of a vast crowd distraction than from hunger, and devours fruit, sweetmeats and pastry between meals, washing them down with copious draughts of sherbet. Altogether the fair Persian would seem to lead a particularly easy and aimless exist-



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> AN INTERESTING ANNIVERSARY. An Italian Named Lunardi Made England's First Balloon Ascension 110 Years Ago.

[Special Correspondence.] London, Sept. 6 .- It lacks but a little now of being 110 years since the lafter it came down as the wheels of a first balloon ascension took place in carriage are used. Some said that he England, for on Sept. 15, 1784, a balloon large enough to support a man's purposely set the balloon on fire. At all weight was first sent up from this is. | events he got away with the money he land with a man in the basket.

Montgolfier and others on the continent often duplicated by adventurers of later had excited a good deal of attention years. here, so much indeed that Horace Walpole wrote deprecatingly of the craze late in 1783, saying, "Balloons occupy senators, philosophers, ladies, every-

There is no doubt that many believed had at last been invented, not that the ascension. many among the more ignorant classes feared that the new fangled contrivance was made to float in the air by means perennial problem of man turning himfellow men in the most wholesale

permission to go up from the garden of earlier, carelessly allowed it to take fire, to the great disgust of a vast crowd of spectators. They had confidently expected to see him dashed to pieces by the collapse of De Moret's machine. the young Italian's safety to allow him many Topeka people as can be reached to ascend from so public a place as the through any other paper. This is a fact. It is not sa.

Chelsea hospital grounds. De Moret's balloon was, like Montgolfier's earlier ones, lifted by hot air generated by a fire at the mouth of the bag. His car was provided with wheels, to be used never intended to go up, and that he had collected without giving any exhi-The aeronautical experiments of bition, wherein his action has been

Lunardi was, however, allowed to make his ascent from the artillery ground at Moorfields, a city artillery company being put under arms to see that no violence was done to either Lunardi or his balloon. There was an enorthat the long locked for flying machine meus crowd of spectators on hand to see

Lunardi's venture was without accident, and he landed safely in a field in Hertfordshire, where he frightened some laborers almost to death. He was for a presented at court and otherwise made C. G. BOLLES.

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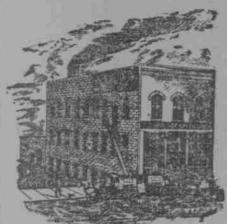
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